

FOLLOW CLOSELY

...in Christ's Discernment

DISCERNING THE DIVINE OR DEMONIC

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Introduction:



Sermon Notes

Big Idea: Discern the _____
of Jesus the King and fully follow him.

◆ Discern the s _____ against Jesus' authority.

◆ Discern the s _____ of Jesus' authority.

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Personal Reflection and Application:

1. Do you believe Jesus has the power to overcome any work of Satan's domain in your life? Are there any areas where you have a hard time believing that?
2. How does your life reflect the Kingdom purposes and priorities of Jesus? How are you "gathering with him" (calling people into his kingdom... making disciples)?
3. When you think of Christ's authority in your life, what is the first word picture that comes to your mind? Is it a picture of security? Or is it something else? Why?
4. What is your standard for discernment? Do you think and act with a biblical worldview, with Christ and his word as your measuring stick?

Gospel Community Discussion Questions:

1. What are some examples of a lack of discernment in our culture? Now more specifically, where can we see a lack *spiritual* discernment?
2. Read Luke 11:14-20 and Exodus 8:19. What keeps people from discerning the divine authority of Jesus? How does this affect the way we think about the topic of spiritual discernment?
3. Read Luke 11:21-26 and Col. 2:13-15. What are some evidences that we are accurately discerning the strength of Satan and the strength of Jesus? What are some evidences that we are not?
4. Read Luke 11:27-28 and Hebrews 5:11-14. How can we know if we are "keeping" the word of God? What will it practically look like when the word of God is our standard for discernment?

Breakout Time

Split your group into men and women to pray for one another and speak the gospel of grace into one another's lives. Discuss any prayer updates and celebrate any growth or answers to prayer.